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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ESTIMATING QUALITY IN A  
TELEPHONIC VOICE CONNECTION

1. Papers enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:

- 14 Page(s) of Specification
- 11 Page(s) of Claims
- 1 Page(s) of Abstract
- 4 Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-6)

B. Other Papers Enclosed

- ☒ A combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ An Assignment Transmittal and Assignment of the invention to WorldCom, Inc.

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- B. Fees for Claims (61 Claims; 6 Indep.)
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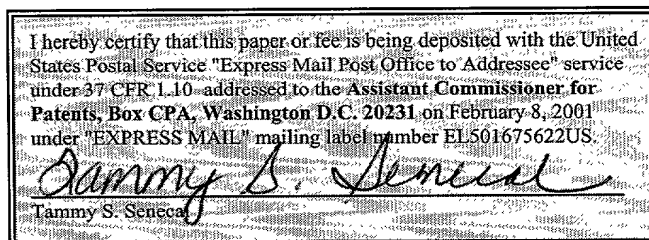
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37 C.F.R. §1.213(a)

Sir:

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2. It is requested that this application not be published under 35 U.S.C. §122(b).
3. This is to certify that the invention disclosed in this application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

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